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1. On 1 September 1952, the newly established Bauunion Nordost employed about 3,500 men. By late 1952, this work force is to be increased to 10,000 to 12,000 men. According to rumors, the Bauunion Nordost was to be assigned to the Volkspolizei for the execution of special construction projects. *
2. Construction projects to be executed by the Bauunion Nordost included:
 - a. Twenty barracks buildings in the area east of Torgelow, directly south of Eggesin. All the buildings are located in a wooded area. They are to be two-story structures, 100 x 30 meters. The excavation work under way at present is exclusively being done by uniformed VP units. About 1,000 men of the Bauunion Nordost are employed on this construction site. Additional barracks buildings are allegedly scheduled to be constructed there after completion of the first group of 20 buildings. **

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[REDACTED] Comment. These data confirm previous information on the establishment of the Bauunion Nordost in Prenzlau. The rumor that this enterprise is to be assigned to the Volkspolizei may be explained by the fact that this Bauunion at present handles only construction projects of the Volkspolizei.

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** [REDACTED] Comment. From statements made by VP deserters, it can be deduced that two VP divisions are being activated in the Eggesin-Torgelow-Altward-Uckermuende area. About 20,000 VPs are at present stationed in this area. The buildings reportedly under construction there are designed to quarter these troops.

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*** [REDACTED] Comment. The barracks installation at Prenzlau airfield

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[REDACTED] three new barracks buildings are under construction there.

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